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BEIRUT, NOV. 9, REUTER--EGYPTIAN AIR DEFENSES INTERCEPTED AND SHOT DOWN TWO ISRAELI PHANTOMS WHICH TRIED TO ATTACK EGYPTIAN POSITIONS WEST OF THE SUEZ CANAL, CAIRO RADIO REPORTED TODAY.

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THE RADIO QUOTED AN EGYPTIAN MILITARY SPOKESMAN AS SAYIG THAT TWO PILOTS WERE CAPTURED AND ONE OF THEM WAS IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

THERE WERE NO CASUALTIES AMONG EGYPTIAN FORCESMAN, THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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